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Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2014 9:39 AM
To: Karina Johnston
Subject: FW: URGENT: POSITION NEEDS TO BE FILLED ASAP
Attachments: DOI.VISTA VAD LA River.docx; VISTA Compensation Summary.docx; DOI.VISTA candidate and site info.docx

Was thinking you may know of someone through the internship program or a good person to distribute this to?

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Know a youth that would like to work in the LA River watershed? If so, pass along.

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From: Pauline Louie [<mailto:pauline@watershedhealth.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 11:21 PM
Cc: Aaron Thomas; Mark Kenyon; Simran Sikand
Subject: URGENT: POSITION NEEDS TO BE FILLED ASAP

Greetings Urban Waters Partners,

We are thrilled the Department of the Interior has decided to provide funding for VISTA personnel (AmeriCorp program) through Urban Waters LA to work on youth job training in urban forestry and naturalist-related programs for the next 3 years. Specifically, this person will be sponsored by North East Trees and will build capacity not only in their vocational urban forestry program, but working to connect with you and the other youth training programs in the Partnership. The goal will be to identify strategies and resources to advance all of these programs. Our colleagues at NPS will also be advising the work of this person.

That's the GOOD news! Now the BAD news...

We got word of the selection last week, and we need to SELECT THE PERSON BY JUNE 16TH!!!!!! We need your help in spreading the word among potential interested parties today and tomorrow. **Please forward and encourage folks to send us their resumes by this Sunday.**

LOOKING FOR...

1. Someone who has a bachelor's degree
2. Understanding of urban forestry, landscape architect is not required, but a desire to work in urban communities is.
3. Someone who is a self starter, eager learner and is not shy about talking to youth, community members or other partners
4. All ages welcome

SUMMARY OF BENEFITS

- VISTA is the domestic cousin to the Peace Corp - working to alleviate poverty and build capacity in disadvantaged communities. There is a monthly stipend of \$1,333 (basic + locality amount).
- For the duration of the position, there is forbearance of federal student loans (deferment of payment); plus, federal govt pays any interest accrued during this time... potentially a huge savings!
- The VISTA will be offered an education grant at the end that can be cashed out, or provided in full as a grant that can be used to pay education debt, or future educational costs.
- Build connections with partners, local and federal agencies; gain experience in developing vital program
- [and a big one] The VISTA receives FEDERAL STATUS in applying for jobs with the federal government. This means that the VISTA can be eligible for positions that are only open to current federal employees. This means that the VISTA has 2 chances to make the most qualified list.

IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO'S EVEN REMOTELY INTERESTED, SEND RESUME TO AARON THOMAS (aaron@northeasttrees.org). You can also contact me for more information. It's not necessary, but if one of you are referring this person - have them mention your name.

Thanks in Advance!
Aaron & Pauline

Attached: general information about VISTA, and this position.

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